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Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal Address for: Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Application Number	09/869,777
	Filing Date	September 21, 2001
	First Named Inventor	Smith et al.
	Art Unit	1616
	Examiner Name	Michael G. Hartley
	Attorney Docket Number	11184.00002

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

a. ☒ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

ii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

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b. ☐ Other _____

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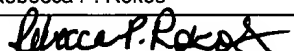
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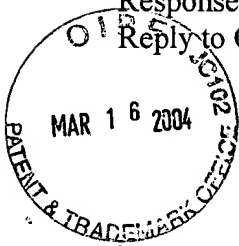
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For: Cryptate Compounds and Methods for
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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED
EXAMINATION**

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action mailed October 16, 2003 and the Advisory Action issued by the Examiner on March 11, 2004. Applicants petition for a two-month extension of time. A one month extension was paid in connection with the Response to Final Office Action filed on February 17, 2004. Applicants hereby petition for an additional one month period. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper